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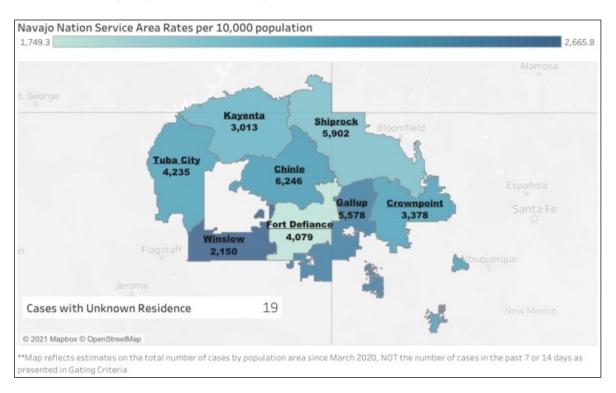
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11 new cases, 32,735 recoveries, and six recent deaths related to COVID-19



WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – On Wednesday, the Navajo Department of Health, in coordination with the Navajo Epidemiology Center and the Navajo Area Indian Health Service, reported 11 new COVID-19 cases for the Navajo Nation and six more deaths. The total number of deaths is now 1,463, including one death that was reported late. The report indicates that 32,735 individuals have recovered from COVID-19. 346,255 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The overall total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 34,600, which includes 83 delayed reported cases from the state of New Mexico and other health care facilities dating back to Oct. 4.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

Chinle Service Unit: 6,246

Crownpoint Service Unit: 3,378

Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 4,079

Gallup Service Unit: 5,578

Kayenta Service Unit: 3,013
Shiprock Service Unit: 5,902
Tuba City Service Unit: 4,235
Winslow Service Unit: 2,150

* 19 residences with COVID-19 positive cases are not specific enough to place them accurately in a Service Unit.

On Wednesday, the state of Arizona reported 2,319 new cases, Utah reported 1,845 new cases, and New Mexico reported 709 new cases.

"Together, we have to continue to push back on COVID-19. Numbers of new cases and deaths are much higher in regions and cities outside of the Navajo Nation, so please do your best to minimize travel off the Navajo Nation. Contact tracers continue to find that many new cases of COVID-19 are due to family gatherings where people let their guard down and don't wear masks. We have to remain diligent and do our best to follow the guidance of our health care experts. Please be safe and do everything you can to reduce the spread of COVID-19 in our communities," said Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez.

Health care facilities across the Navajo Nation continue to administer COVID-19 vaccines. If you would like to receive one of the COVID-19 vaccines, please contact your health care provider and schedule an appointment.

"Stay home and get tested if you feel sick or have symptoms related to COVID-19. If you've been directly exposed to someone who is COVID-19 positive, please get tested as soon as possible. We are in this fight together against this virus, so please keep your guard up and continue to pray for our health care workers, those recovering from COVID-19, and those who are grieving the loss of loved ones," said Vice President Myron Lizer.

For more information, including helpful prevention tips, and resources to help stop the spread of COVID-19, visit the Navajo Department of Health's COVID-19 website: http://www.ndoh.navajo-nsn.gov/COVID-19. For COVID-19 related questions and information, call (928) 871-7014.

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